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PORT OF FOLKESTONE.

Public Health Department,
The Civic Centre,
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FOLKESTONE, Kent.

19th March, 1971.

To His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Borough and Port of Folkestone.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I submit herewith the Annual Report on the medical aspect of the work at the Port of Folkestone for 1970, which has been prepared in accordance with Form Port 20. A recapitulation of all the information is required quinquennially and 1970 is such a year.

Scheduled passenger boat services coming to Folkestone during the year and met by members of the medical and nursing staff were:-

(1) From Calais.
(a) Daily service from 1st January to 31st December, 1970.

(2) From Boulogne.
(a) Daily morning service from 30th June to 31st August, 1970 inclusive. An irregular service was in force from 6th June until commencement of daily service and from 5th to 27th September, 1970.
(b) Daily afternoon service from 31st May to 26th September, 1970 inclusive.
(c) Daily evening service from 25th May to 26th September, 1970 inclusive.

(3) From Ostend.
(a) A daily evening service was inaugurated from 10th July to 30th August, 1970 inclusive. This was supplemented by boats arriving on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 31st May to 5th July and 4th to 13th September, 1970 inclusive.

The following passenger boat services were diverted to or from Folkestone for the reasons stated:-

(1) From Dover to Folkestone Harbour.
(a) Rough seas in channel.
Three boats on the 12th February and two on the 4th March, 1970.

(2) From Folkestone to Dover Harbour.
(a) Rough seas in channel.
The 1.35 p.m. boat from Calais on the 21st April and 19th November, 1970.
(b) Engineering works on railway line between Ashford and Sandling.
On eight Sundays during the year the 1.35 p.m. boat from Calais was diverted to Dover.
(c) Public Holidays.
The Folkestone Harbour was closed on Christmas day and Boxing day.

Special day excursion trips to France and from Ostend were run during the summer season.

Examinations have continued to be carried out in the purpose-built medical inspection rooms which form part of the combined terminal building at the Folkestone Harbour.

The number of arriving vessels carrying aliens was 881 (all passenger boats) and showed an increase of 25 compared with the previous year.

All passenger boats were met and where necessary two or more doctors were in attendance to cope with the large number of aliens expected to arrive at the same time; during the year a total of 762 doctor/attendances were made.

The number of passengers passing through the Port during the year was 963,203; this is an increase of 71,726 compared with the previous year and the highest number since the end of the war.

The gross figures of passsengers arriving at and departing from Folkestone for the past five years are:-

	1966.	1967.	1968.	1969.	1970.
Inwards ..	408,573	389,756	382,318	445,143	478,721
Outwards ..	409,491	392,458	383,180	446,334	484,482
Totals:	818,064	782,214	765,498	891,477	963,203

Compared with 1969 there was an increase of more than 10,541 in the number of aliens arriving but those medically examined were 816 fewer.

A summary of the aliens arriving, medically examined, certificates issued, etc., during the past five years is given below:-

	1966.	1967.	1968.	1969.	1970.
Aliens arriving	148,633	140,053	138,737	195,427	205,968
Aliens medically examined	8,497	4,940	3,664	3,551	2,735
Certificates issued	122	57	54	45	42
Percentage of aliens examined to whom certificates issued	1.43	1.15	1.47	1.26	1.53

The aliens continued to come mainly from Italy, Spain, Switzerland, France Yugoslavia, Morocco and Turkey and of those examined 2,613 had Ministry of Labour permits, 39 were permanent residents, 77 visitors and 6 'au-pair'.

The men were mainly for employment as labourers and to work in hotels and the catering trade. The women came as domestics, assistant hospital nurses and ward orderlies; also included were students and families coming to join aliens already working in the United Kingdom.

During 1970 the number of certificates issued on Form Port 12 was 42 compared with 45 the previous year. These certificates were in respect of:-

	Certificates	Aliens not permitted to land.
Amputations and deformity of limbs ..	12	1
Unsound mind or mentally defective ..	8	6
Pregnancy	6	1
Heart conditions	4	1
Acne (severe) of face and body	1	1
Other medical conditions	11	-

Six aliens (three Frenchmen, one Italian, one Dutchman and one American) classified as persons of unsound mind or mentally defective were refused permission to land by the Chief Immigration Officer on purely medical grounds under Article 4(2)(b) of the Aliens Order 1953. One of the aliens concerned, a Frenchman aged 39, made three unsuccessful attempts to enter U.K. and Form Port 12, Section A, was issued on each occasion.

A summary of the immigrants who were subject to control under the Commonwealth Immigrants Acts 1962 and 1968, those medically examined and certificates issued during the past five years is as follows:-

Commonwealth Immigrants -	1966.	1967.	1968.	1969.	1970.
Subject to control	17,650	14,302	14,053	14,885	18,230
Medically examined	462	342	104	142	115
Certificates issued	9	3	1	2	6
Percentage of immigrants examined to whom certificates issued ..	1.94	0.87	0.96	1.40	5.21

The immigrants came mainly from Cyprus, Mauritius and Australia and 18 were classified as "British Kenya Asians".

Six Forms Port 23 were issued in respect of Commonwealth immigrants compared with two in 1969. One Pakistani immigrant and one British Kenya Asian (who made two attempts to enter U.K. via Calais) were refused permission to land by the Chief Immigration Officer on purely medical grounds under Section 2(4)(a) of the Commonwealth Immigrants Acts, 1962 and 1968.

Fifty-one passengers were referred to the Port Medical Officer or his Deputy for examination and treatment as necessary. Eight were referred to the local hospital, two admitted to the mental hospital at Chartham and a woman of 30, suffering from infective hepatitis, was admitted to the Dover Isolation Hospital. Thirty-four were allowed to proceed on their journey and six referred to their own family doctor.

Eight members of ships' crews and harbour staff also received medical attention. A steward aged 43 suffering from gastro-enteritis and complications was admitted to the Dover isolation Hospital and three to their own doctor.

Vaccination against Smallpox:

Three special sessions were arranged (two at the Folkestone Harbour M.I. room and one at the Civic Centre) in order that the vaccination state of 39 members from the following five departments could be brought up to date:-

C.I.D. Branch .. .. -	6
H.M. Customs .. .. -	11
H.M. Immigration .. -	13
Harbour Police .. -	2
Folkestone Corporation Staff .. .. .. -	7

Nurse-Attendant:

Mrs. M. Fitzgerald, who had been employed as part-time Nurse-Attendant at the Folkestone Harbour since the 1st December 1966 resigned her appointment with effect from 6th September, 1970 as she wished to return to hospital work.

Mrs. Margaret Coppins, S.R.N., S.C.M., who had been employed on a sessional basis since the 23rd April, 1969 and was fully conversant with the responsibilities and duties involved, was appointed to fill this vacancy.

In conclusion, I should like to express my appreciation to the Medical and Nursing staff at the Harbour, Public Health Inspectors, Immigration and Customs Officers, Capt. H.C. Lott (who retired as Port Master at the beginning of the year) and Mr. R. Wood, his successor, together with other members of the harbour and ships' staff for their unfailing and effective co-operation.

I am,
Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

R.F.H. McELLIGOTT.

Port Medical Officer.
Medical Inspector of Aliens
and Commonwealth Immigrants.

Table A.

Name of Officer.	Nature of Appointment.	Date of Appointment.	Date of Resignation.	Qualifications.	Any other appointments held.
R.F.H. McElligott.	Medical Officer of Health and Port Medical Officer.	29.12.50.	-	M.B., Ch.B.	Medical Inspector of Aliens. (Part-time).
L.H. Vale.	Chief Public Health Inspector for Borough and Port. Authorised Officer, The Imported Food Regulations, 1968.	-1.10.49.	-	*F.R.S.H., F.A.P.H.I., Cert. S.I.B.	-
J.R. Greig.	Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector for Borough and Port. Authorised Officer, The Imported Food Regulations, 1968.	17. 4.67.	-	M.A.P.H.I., *Cert. S.I.B., Smoke Inspector's Diploma.	-
A. Stubbs.	Additional Port Health Inspector. Authorised Officer, The Imported Food Regulations, 1968.	-1. 2.45.	-2.10.70.	*Cert. S.I.B.	) District Public Health Inspectors for the Borough of Folkestone.
D. Prebble.	-do-	15. 6.64.	-	M.A.P.H.I., *Cert. S.I.B., Cert. Tropical Hygiene.	) District Public Health Inspectors for the Borough of Folkestone.
D.R. Wiseman.	-do-	20. 7.64.	-	M.A.P.H.I., *Cert. P.H.I.E.B.	) District Public Health Inspectors for the Borough of Folkestone.
S. Davey.	-do-	-1.12.64.	-	*Cert. S.I.B.	) District Public Health Inspectors for the Borough of Folkestone.
I.J. Ratcliffe.	-do-	23.11.70.	-	M.A.P.H.I., *Cert.P.H.I.E.B.	) District Public Health Inspectors for the Borough of Folkestone.
P.R. Bryant.	-	29. 9.69.	21. 8.70.		Student Public Health Inspector.

*Also holds Royal Society of Health Certificate as Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.

Address and telephone number of the Medical Officer of Health and Port Medical Officer.
Public Health Department, The Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, Kent. (Tel. Nos: Folkestone 55221 and 55227).
Medical Inspection Rooms, Folkestone Harbour, Folkestone, Kent. (Tel. No: Folkestone 51512).

SECTION II - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year.

Table B.

Ships from:	Number of Arrivals.	Tonnage.	Number inspected. By the Medical Officer of Health.	Number inspected. By the Public Health Insptr.	Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board.
Foreign Ports	971	1,270,245	-	55*	-
Coast-wise	26	29,262	-	-	-
TOTAL:	997	1,299,507	-	55*	-

*55 inspections of 5 cross-channel boats which regularly use the port.

A summary of the number of arrivals and total tonnage during the past five years is as follows:-

Year.	No. of Ships.	Tonnage.
1966	963	1,157,047
1967	885	1,133,832
1968	840	1,161,953
1969	961	1,256,874
1970	997	1,299,507

SECTION III - Character of shipping and trade during the year.

Table C.

Passenger traffic ..	Number of Passengers: INWARDS - 478,721 OUTWARDS - 484,482
Cargo traffic	Nil.
Principal ports from which ships arrive ..	Boulogne, Calais and Ostend.

SECTION IV - Inland barge traffic.

Number and tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic.

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SECTION V - Water Supply.

(1) Source of Supply for -

(a) The District:

Water for drinking and other purposes is obtained from the town supply, viz: Folkestone and District Water Company.

(b) Shipping:

Drinking water from the town supply is supplied to vessels from hydrants on the quayside.

(2) Reports of tests for contamination:

Seven samples were taken by the Port Health Inspectors from passenger vessels and two from hydrants on the quayside. All the samples were satisfactory.

Information was received from Dr. G.P. Reed, Divisional Medical Officer of British Railways (Southern Region), that samples of drinking water on one of the boats using the Folkestone Harbour were unsatisfactory.

Dr. Reed visited the boat himself and action taken included the hyper-chlorination and subsequent cleaning out of the water tanks. During this period all taps were marked "not for drinking" and fresh water from the town mains supply for drinking purposes, etc., was taken on board in churns.

The boat was out of service for a few days as part of its regular schedule and subsequent samples were satisfactory.

(3) Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes:

Hydrants and hosepipes periodically flushed through.

(4) Number and sanitary condition of water boats, and powers of control by the Authority:

NIL.

SECTION VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1966.

(1) List of Infected Areas (Regulation 6).

A list of infected areas has been prepared and is amended by taking into account relevant information extracted from the Weekly Epidemiological Record issued by the World Health Organisation, Geneva.

It is divided into the six quarantinable disease (plague, cholera, yellow fever, smallpox, typhus and relapsing fever) and the various countries, localities and seaports which are infected or believed to be infected are shown under the appropriate disease.

These lists were sent by post to the Chief Officers concerned at the Folkestone Harbour.

Maps showing the areas concerned are maintained in the medical inspection room at the Harbour and also in the main office of the Port Medical Officer.

(2) Radio Messages (Regulations 13 and 14(1)(a) and (2)).

(a) Arrangements for sending permission by radio for ships to enter the district is done through the radio station which is controlled by the Harbour Authorities, viz., British Railways Marine Department (Headquarters at Dover).

(b) All vessels normally using the Port are equipped with radio transmitting apparatus and arrangements have been made for notification to be made to the Health Authority by a member of the Port Master's Department of any person on board who is suffering from an infectious disease, or who has symptoms which may indicate the presence of such disease or any other similar circumstances, in order that action thereon may be taken by the Port Medical Officer.

(3) Notification otherwise than by Radio (Regulation 14(1)(b)).

This Port has no signalling station but arrangements would be made to get such notification through in an emergency.

All vessels met by H.M. Customs and Port Health Inspectors.

(4) Mooring Stations (Regulations 22-30).

(a) Within the Docks: Their place of mooring, discharge or loading.

(b) Outside the Docks: A point one mile South by West of Harbour Pier head.

No standing directions issued but action taken would be in accordance with these Regulations.

(5) Arrangements for -

(a) Hospital accommodation for infectious diseases (other than Smallpox - see Section VII):

Either at the Isolation Hospitals at Dover or at Haine, near Ramsgate.

(b) Surveillance and follow-up of contacts:

In accordance with Sections 31 and 37 of the Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1966. Names and addresses would be taken and forwarded to Medical Officers of Health of areas to which the contacts were proceeding.

(c) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles:

No facilities exist for cleansing of persons on the Harbour but public baths available under the auspices of the Folkestone Corporation. Ships' quarters disinfected after infection. Clothing and other articles submitted to steam disinfection.

SECTION VII - Smallpox.

(1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox cases are sent from the district.

Long Reach Hospital, Dartford, Kent.
Tel. No: 0322-23231.

If it were necessary to isolate a person for the purpose of observation an approach would be made to the nearest Infectious Diseases Hospital or to the Denton Hospital, Gravesend.

(2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance, giving the name of the authority responsible for the ambulance and the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

Patients suffering from smallpox would be removed by arrangement with the Canterbury City Ambulance Service, which authority is responsible for the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

(3) Name of Smallpox Consultants available.

The following Smallpox Consultants are available for this area:

Dr. E.H. Brown, Hither Green Hospital,
Hither Green Lane, London, S.E.13.
Tel. No: Hospital - 01-698-3481.
Home - 01-657-4849.
Dr. E. O'Sullivan, "Ashton", Church Road,
Hartley, Dartford, Kent.
Tel. No: Hospital - 0322-23231.
Home - 04747-2459.

(4) Facilities for laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox.

At the Virus Reference Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale Avenue, Colindale, London, N.W.9. (Tel. No: 01-205-7041).

(5) Smallpox Vaccine.

Supplies of vaccine are available as follows -

(a) During normal office hours. (Monday to Friday):

Kent County Council Health and Welfare Department, Springfield, Maidstone.
Tel. No: 0622-54371.

(b) After normal office hours. (Saturday and Sunday and other days between 5.20 p.m. and 8.30 a.m.):

Kent County Council Ambulance Station, Loose Road, Maidstone.
Tel. No: 0622-54516.

(c) Emergency stocks:

Buckland Hospital, Dover.
Tel. No: 91-1624.

(6) Vaccination against Smallpox.

In order to bring their vaccination state up to date three special sessions were arranged (two at the Folkestone M.I. room and one at the Civic Centre) and 39 members from the following five departments were vaccinated against smallpox -

C.I.D. Branch	6
H.M. Customs	11
H.M. Immigration	13
Harbour Police	2
Folkestone Corporation staff	7

The vaccination of other staff employed at the Folkestone Harbour (including ships' crews) would be arranged by Dr. G.P. Reed, Divisional Medical Officer of the British Railways Southern Region.

SECTION VIII - Venereal Disease.

Information as to the location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among seamen under the international arrangements, including in-patient treatment and the steps taken to make these facilities known to seamen.

Clinics under the control of Dr. D.E. Sharvill are available as follows:

ASHFORD:
Ashford Hospital, King's Avenue. (Tel. No: Ashford 23321).
Wed. 11.0-12 noon. Fri. 3.0-4.0 p.m.

CANTERBURY:
Kent and Canterbury Hospital, Ethelbert Road. (Tel. No: Canterbury 66877).
Tues. 3.0-4.0 p.m.

DOVER:
Buckland Hospital, Coombe Valley Road. (Tel. No: Dover 1624).

MARGATE:
District Hospital, St. Peter's Road. (Tel. No: Thanet 20222).

In-patient treatment is available at these hospitals.

Where necessary full information supplied to seamen concerned by the Port Medical Officer.

From time to time posters giving the latest details of these clinics are exhibited in the public conveniences on the Folkestone Harbour by arrangement with the British Railway authorities.

SECTION IX - Cases of notifiable and other infectious diseases on ships.

Table D.

Category.	Disease.	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned.
		Passengers.	Crew.	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports ..	*Infective hepatitis	1	-	1
	**Gastro-enteritis	-	1	1
Cases landed from other ships	-	-	-	-
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival	-	-	-	-

*A woman of 30, returning from France with a Pilgrimage party, arrived at the Folkestone Harbour in an exhausted condition. She was examined by the Deputy Port Medical Officer who confirmed that she was suffering from infective hepatitis and arranged for her admission to the Dover Isolation Hospital.

**A steward aged 43 with a recent history of vomiting, diarrhoea and pyrexia was admitted to the Dover Isolation Hospital where it was confirmed that he was suffering from gastro-enteritis and complications. He was subsequently referred to a Medical Specialist in view of a liver condition.

A short account should be given of the measures taken on the arrival by ships of (a) any case of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever included in Table D; (b) any suspected cases of any such disease.

Following an outbreak of smallpox at the beginning of the year in the North Rhine-Westphalia (Federal Republic of Germany) two travellers from that area were vaccinated on arrival at the Folkestone Harbour and put under surveillance (medical supervision by the Medical Officer of Health of their destination district).

Instructions were received from Sir G.E. Godber, Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health and Social Security, that with effect from 18th September, 1970 a valid international certificate of vaccination against cholera would be required of every traveller who at any time during the five days immediately prior to his arrival in the United Kingdom had been in any country, any part of which has been notified by the World Health Organisation as currently infected with cholera.

Travellers from the areas concerned arriving at the Folkestone Harbour and able to produce a valid certificate of vaccination were handed an official "yellow warning card" on which they were advised to call in a doctor immediately should they, or any person living in the same house or hotel, develop diarrhoea and vomiting within the next five days. Those who could not produce a valid certificate and had visited an infected area within the previous five days were also handed a "yellow warning card" and placed under surveillance for the appropriate period.

Six travellers, four from Tunisia and two from Turkey, who had all come from an infected area were placed under surveillance.

SECTION X - Observations on the occurrence of malaria in ships.

No cases occurred during the year.

SECTION XI - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague.

No action necessary during the year.

SECTION XII - Measures against rodents in ships from foreign ports.

(1) Procedure for inspection of ships for rats.

Formal inspections carried out by Dover Health staff and amplified by local Port Health Inspectors during course of routine inspection of vessels.

(2) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents, with special reference to rodent plague, including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year.

Facilities exist for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents at the Public Health Laboratory Service, Preston Hall, British Legion Village, Maidstone. No rodent was sent for examination during 1970.

(3) Arrangements in the district for deratting ships, the methods used, and, if done by a commercial contractor, the name of the contractor.

It has not been found necessary over the past few years for work of disinfestation to be carried out on ships visiting this Port. Should, however, deratting of ships be required this would be carried out by specialist firms using hydrogen cyanide under the direction of the Port Health Inspectors at Dover, the latter being an "approved" port.

The harbour environs are treated as necessary by the Rodent Operators of British Rail (Southern Region), assistance being given by the Borough Rodent Operators if required, e.g., should the possibility arise of adjacent land being involved in any infestation or should any other co-ordination be necessary.

(4) Progress in the rat-proofing of ships.

Not found necessary.

Tables "E" and "F" - NIL.

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from foreign ports.

None issued - Folkestone is not an "approved" port.

Certificates for vessels owned by British Rail and using this port are issued by the Dover Port Health Authority.

SECTION XIII - Inspections of ships for nuisances.

Table G.

Inspections and Notices.

Nature and number of Inspections.		Notices served.		Result of serving Notices.
		Statutory Notices.	Other Notices.	
General inspection of crews' quarters, food preparing places, etc.	55	-	-	-
TOTAL:	55	-	-	-

SECTION XIV - Public Health (Shellfish) Regulations 1934 and 1948.

There are not shellfish beds or laying within the jurisdiction of this authority.

SECTION XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens (applicable only to port approved for the landing of aliens).

(1) List of Medical Inspectors holding Warrants of Appointment as Medical Inspectors of Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants.

Name.	Date of Appointment.	Qualifications.
R.F.H. McElligott	28.10.49.	M.B., Ch.B.
H. Yates	-8.10.52.	M.B., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
C.B. Findlay	28. 6.55.	M.B., Ch.B.
E. Mallett	21.10.60.	M.B., B.S. Lond., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.Obst. R.C.O.G.
S.M.R. Powell	-3. 2.64.	M.B., Ch.B.
O.P. Allcock	30. 4.68.	M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Drs. McElligott and Findlay were employed part-time and Drs. Yates, Mallett, Powell and Allcock on a sessional basis.

The Warrants of Appointment issued to the first five doctors expired on the 21st June, 1970 and were renewed for a further period of three years by the Department of Health and Social Security.

(2) List of part-time Nurse-Attendants engaged on this work.

Name.	Date of		Qualifications.
	Appointment.	Resignation.	
Mrs. M. Fitzgerald.	-1.12.66.	-5. 9.70.	S.R.N., S.R.F.N., S.C.M.
Mrs. M. Coppins.	-6. 9.70.	-	S.R.N., S.C.M.

The following Nurse-Attendants were also available on a sessional basis to act as relief or assist when two or more Nurse-Attendants were required to cope with the large number of immigrants expected to arrive at the same time:

Miss E.M. Cook, S.R.N.
Mrs. M.F.E. Pemberton, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert.
Mrs. J.H. Molloy, S.R.N.

(3) Organisation of Work.

Dr. R.F.H. McElligott with the assistance of the part-time Nurse-Attendants is responsible for the organisation of the work.

Regular passenger boats are met by one of the Medical Inspectors and a Nurse-Attendant, and special arrangements made for other boats carrying immigrants to be met.

During certain periods of the year and where prior information has been received (usually from the Chief Immigration Officer, representatives of the travel or domestic agencies) that large numbers of immigrants were expected to arrive at the same time, arrangements were made for extra staff to be in attendance in order that the necessary examinations could be completed with the minimum of delay.

Duplicate copies of medical certificates issued to the Chief Immigration Officer under the relevant Aliens Order and Commonwealth Immigrants Acts are forwarded to the Department of Health and Social Security.

(4) Nature and amount of aliens traffic.

A total of 2,735 aliens were examined during 1970; this is 816 fewer than in 1969.

A summary of their nationalities is as follows:-

	1970.	1969 (for comparison).
Italian	906	1,403
Spanish	519	1,001
Swiss	420	351
French	298	259
Yugoslavian ..	122	133
Moroccan	107	86
Turkish	103	86
Portuguese ..	55	27
Austrian	42	34
Greek	38	49
German	26	34
American	20	9
South African ..	17	3
South American	15	3
Israeli	14	8
Egyptian	7	3
Japanese	6	2
Czechoslovakian	5	24
Algerian	3	10
Tunisian	2	1
Swedish	2	2
Finnish	1	4
Lebanese	1	4
Other nationals	6	15
Totals:	2,735	3,551

Particulars of the number of aliens arriving, examined and certificates issued during 1970 are set out below:-

A. Total number of arriving vessels carrying aliens:-

(a) Passenger	881
(b) Cargo	-
Total:	881

This total of 881 shows an increase of 25 compared with the number of arriving vessels carrying aliens during 1969.

B. Total number of arriving aliens (excluding crews) .. .. 205,968.

C. Total number of aliens medically examined:-

With Ministry of Labour permit	2,613
Au Pair	6
Permanent residents	39
Visiting	77
	2,735

D. Reports and certificates for aliens medically examined:-

Nature of report or certificate.		Total number of reports and certificates issued.	Aliens NOT PERMITTED to land.
A.	Unsound mind or mentally defective.	8ø	6*
B(1).	Undesirable for medical reasons.	-	-
B(2) (a)	Inability to support.	14	-
B(2) (b)	Likely to require medical treatment.	20	4
C.	Conditionally landed for further medical examination.	-	
	TOTALS:	42	10

Refused entry on purely medical grounds:

øEight certificates were issued in respect of six aliens - three from France and one each from America, Italy and Holland - who were all refused permission to land under the revised Article 4(2)(b) of the Aliens Order, 1953.

**One of the aliens concerned, a Frenchman aged 39, made three unsuccessful attempts to enter U.K. and three separate certificates were issued to him on Form Port 12, Section A.

(5) Accommodation for medical inspection and examination.

In 1968 the British Railway authorities carried out their plan to improve the passenger handling accommodation at the Folkestone Harbour by constructing a new building which included new M.I. rooms.

Adequate facilities are now available for two Medical Inspectors, waiting lounge for the immigrants, office accommodation for the Nurse-Attendants and a spare room is available for future use.

The previous practice of carrying out examinations in cabins on board ships has since been discontinued.

COMMONWEALTH IMMIGRANTS ACTS 1962 AND 1968.

The number of Commonwealth citizens subject to control under these Acts and those medically examined were:-

	1970.	1969 (for comparison).
Commonwealth immigrants:-		
Subject to control ..	18,230	14,885
Medically examined ..	115	142

The nationality of those examined was:-

	1970.	1969 (for comparison).
Australian	14	2
British Kenya Asian	18	-
Canadian	-	3
Ceylonese	2	33
Cypriot	37	39
Indian	9	33
Mauritian	21	15
New Zealander	2	-
Pakistani	1	6
West Indian	2	4
Other nationalities	9	7
TOTALS:	115	142

The number of reports and certificates issued for Commonwealth citizens medically examined was:-

Nature of report or certificate.		Number of reports or certificates issued.	Number of Commonwealth citizens refused entry.
A.	Suffering from mental disorder.	1*	1
B(1).	Undesirable for medical reasons.	1	-
B(2).	Likely to require major medical treatment.	4**	2
TOTALS:		6	3

Refused entry for purely medical reasons.

*One Pakistani immigrant, aged 30 years, refused permission to land in accordance with Section 2(4)(a) of the Commonwealth Immigrants Acts, 1962 and 1968.

**Two of these certificates were in respect of an immigrant from Kenya who made two attempts to enter U.K. via Calais, but on both occasions was refused permission to land in accordance with Section 2(4)(a) of the Commonwealth Immigrants Acts, 1962 and 1968.

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR LONG-STAY IMMIGRANTS.

The arrangements which came into operation in January 1966 whereby the local Health Authorities were only notified of those immigrants who were likely to settle in this country, e.g., stay over a year or where the Medical Inspector thought a visit would in any case be advisable, have been continued and during the year notifications of the destination addresses of the following immigrants were sent to the Medical Officers of Health of the districts concerned:-

	1970.	1969 (for comparison).
Long-stay immigrants, etc. ..	158	260
Tear-off slips forwarded re:		
Adults	-	2

SECTION XVI - Miscellaneous.

Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease.

A mortuary at the local hospital and adequate burial and cremation facilities are available in the district.

Cases of illness or injury amongst passengers and crew members.

The following is a summary of those persons examined at the Folkestone Harbour and treatment given as necessary:-

(a) Medical Conditions:

Action taken.	Passengers.	Crew Members, etc.
Admitted to:		
(i) Local hospital	7	1
(ii) Isolation hospital	1	1
(iii) St. Augustine's Hospital, Chartham	2	-
Allowed to proceed on journey ..	24	-
Referred to own doctor	4	-
Totals:	38	2

(b) Injuries:

Action taken.	Passengers.	Crew Members, etc.
Referred to:		
(i) Local hospital	1	3
(ii) Own doctor	2	3
Allowed to proceed on journey ..	10	-
Totals:	13	6

SECTION XVIII - Routine Supervision.

Information supplied by L.H. Vale, Esq., Chief Public Health and Food Inspector for the Borough and Port of Folkestone.

(i) General.

All vessels regularly operating from the port were subject to routine check observation on berthing, detailed inspections being made at frequent intervals; water supplies were sampled from time to time for bacteriological purposes and reference has already been made on page 6 to the results obtained.

482 visits were made by the Public Health Inspectors to the Harbour during the year for the purpose of routine check observation on berthing.

(ii) Food Inspection.

Nil. The cargo service was discontinued in September 1968 and no food is at present being imported through the port.

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